

NANA AKUFO ADDO IS PRESIDENT-ELECT OF THE REPUBLIC OF GHANA



The Chairperson of the Electoral Commission (EC), Mrs. Charlotte Osei, has officially declared the Presidential candidate of the New Patriotic Party (NPP), Nana Addo-Danquah Akufo Addo, as the winner of the 2016 Presidential elections and President-elect of the Republic of Ghana.

Nana Akufo-Addo polled 5,716,609, representing 53.84% of the votes cast to secure victory over President Mahama's 4,713,277 votes, representing 44.40%.

Nana Akufo-Addo will, therefore, assume office in January 2017 as the 5th President of the 4th Republic of Ghana.

According to Mrs. Osei, who announced the results at a news conference at the EC's conference room in Accra, yesterday, the results, which put Nana Akufo-Addo in the lead, excluded those of Kwahu Afram Plains North, Upper West Akyem, Sawla-Kalba and Tamale Central.

She explained that even if the results of the four places were added to the figures, no

significant difference would be made in overturning the results in anybody's favour.

Responding to the announcement by the EC at separate news conferences, President John Dramani Mahama said he would ensure a peaceful transition for the in-coming administration while Nana Akufo-Addo pledged to live up to the hope and aspirations of all Ghanaians.

In an interview, Mr Peter Mac Manu, NPP National Campaign Manager, described the victory of the NPP as a 'sweet victory' while the General Secretary of the National Democratic Congress (NDC), Mr Johnson Asiedu Nketia, conceded defeat and pledged the readiness of his party to ensure a smooth transition to the new government.

Meanwhile, the European Union Election Observation Mission (EUEOM) has lauded Ghana for a well-administered and transparent election.

According to Tamas Meszeric, Chief Observer of the EU Mission, Ghana had passed the benchmark for credible, inclusive and transparent elections.

In a statement issued by the Africa Union Election Observation Mission (AUEOM), Mr Hifikepunye Pohamba, Head of Mission, said the 2016 elections were conducted in a largely peaceful, transparent and credible manner.

Mr Kofi Annan, former United Nations Secretary-General, also congratulated the EC for a good work done.

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President-elect Nana Akufo Addo addressing Ghanaians



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